

REMARKS

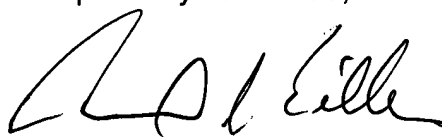
Non-elected Claims 1-11 and provisionally elected Claims 12-37 are now pending in the application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider her restriction requirement because both groups of claims are sufficiently related that an undue burden would not be placed upon the Examiner to maintain both groups of claims in a single application. (See MPEP § 803). Claims 1-12 provide sufficient common substance with those of the methods to practice the invention in the particular area of art that a search regarding both the provisionally elected and the non-elected claims should encompass the same classes and subclasses.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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